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Applicant: Hajime TABATA et al. Conf: 5858  
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For: SPEECH COMMUNICATION APPARATUS WITH GAIN CONTROL  
FOR CLEAR COMMUNICATION (As Amended)

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 16, 2004 (Paper No. 040802), the period for response having been extended one (1) month to December 16, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application:

This Paper includes Amendments to the Specification, Claim Set As Amended, Amendments to the Drawings, and Remarks.

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